

Surin Upatkoon
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Gaming Tycoon of Malaysia

Datuk Suri Upatkoon is of Thai heritage but he has resided in Malaysia for decades now. That is why his wealth has brought him to become the ten richest man in the country. The reason why he stands out among the group of billionaires in Malaysia is mainly because of his nationality. Besides that, he has not been one of the common names in the list for some time and little has been know about this man.

Surin's businesses ranges from telecommunications to gaming and his stake in Magnum Corporation remains as one of the more prominent interests. When he sold his stake in InTouch from Thailand in 2013, it formed more than half of his wealth. Surin came to Penang back in the 1960s for education where he graduated and worked before making his millions.

Surin's Net Worth

\$1.15 Billion

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Source Of Wealth

As the chairman of Magnum Corporation, Datuk Surin holds the majority stake in MWE Holdings Berhad. Besides the gaming business, his source of wealth comes from other businesses like electronics and textile. Besides that, his wealth is believed to come from the sale of his stakes in InTouch while he has business interests in insurance and real estate as well.

Residence

Kuala Lumpur

Citizenship

Thailand

Marital Status

Married

Children

Datuk Surin has 3 children of whom his eldest daughter is Ivevei Upatkoon has been involved in several of his businesses. This includes being a Non-Independent Executive Director of MPHB Capital Berhad, among others.

Education

Datuk Surin completed his education at the Han Chiang High School where there has not been any other qualifications reported ever since.

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